

Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. §112: Indefiniteness

Claims 25-35 have been rejected as indefinite for reciting the phrase “to give biotin-containing amplified DNA”. The Examiner notes that there is no antecedent basis for “biotin”. In addition, the Examiner alleges that claim 25 is indefinite because it does not provide a relationship between the detection of the bound DNA and the method for diagnosis. Further, the Examiner contends that claim 25 is indefinite because it is not clear if there is a second label involved in the method in addition to the biotin-containing primers.

To address the Examiner’s rejections, claim 25 has been amended to more accurately claim the present invention. Specifically, “to give biotin-containing DNA” has been replaced with “to obtain biotin-containing” DNA; the lack of antecedent basis for “biotin” has been obviated by the addition of the term “biotin-containing” to refer to the primers in step (ii); a phrase has been added to the end of the claim to provide a relationship between detection of the bound DNA and diagnosis; and reference to a second label that binds to biotin has been included as new step (c) to clarify that there is indeed a second label that binds to the first label.

In addition, claims 26 and 30 have been canceled since the subject matter of these claims is now in claim 25.

Support for these amendments can be found in the specification matter is incorporated in to claim 25, and claim 31 has been amended to depend from claim 25 instead at page 8, steps 1 and 3, and example 2-2 and 2-3 on page 12. Specifically, page 8 indicates that streptavidin-R-phycoerythrin is the preferred means for the second label-the application is not limited to the second label being this, but can be any label that binds biotin.

In addition, new claim 36 has been added which recites similar subject matter as claim 25, but does not limit either the first label or the second label. New claims 37-38 further specify the nature of the labels. This amendment is support by the specification in the “Summary of the Invention” on page 4 and the “Detailed Description” on page 6 which refer to “means for labeling” DNA and probes. It is respectfully submitted that means for double-labeling nucleic acids was

well-known to a skilled artisan in 1998, as indicated by attached Exhibits A and B (abstract by Ramsay and abstract by Solanas et al.) which refers to numerous labels for DNA including fluorescent labels and digoxin which are contemplated for use in the presently claimed method..

No new matter is added by these amendments.

In addition, the Examiner rejects claim 28 for the term “position markers”. The Examiner asserts that since the term position markers is not defined in the specification, the meaning is unclear.

To address this rejection, Applicants’ respectfully direct the Examiner’s attention to the specification at page 13, line 28, which indicates that the position markers are for locating specific probes on the DNA chip. “Position markers” is an art-related term that is understood by those skilled in the art of microarray technology as indicated by the article at Exhibit C, by Antonio et al., published in 1995 (see Figure 1 on pages 35-36 Table 1 on page 37 which refer to position markers or DNA markers).

Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. §103: Obviousness

Claims 25, 28 and 30 stand rejected as obvious over **Gravitt et al.**, J. Clin. Microbiol. 1998; 36: 3020-27 (“Gravitt”), in view of an excerpt from the **Stratagene** catalog from 1988 (“Stratagene”).

The Examiner contends that Gravitt teaches a method of genotyping/diagnosing HPV by labeling amplified DNA attached to a solid surface, and that Stratagene teaches that reagent kits for hybridization were conventional in the art as of the filing date of this application. The Examiner therefore asserts that it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art to provide an HPV hybridization kit comprising a DNA chip (which is a solid surface).

A *prima facie* case of obviousness must meet three criteria: First, there must be some suggestion or motivation, either in the references themselves or in the knowledge generally

Claims 26 and 29 stand rejected as obvious over Gravitt in view of Stratagene, and further in view of PCT international application **WO 95/22626** (“the PCT”). The Examiner’s rejections over Gravitt and Stratagene are the same as above, and he further contends that the PCT teaches an HPV 16 sequence probe identical to instant SEQ ID NO: 31, as well a primers having sequences identical to instant SEQ ID NOs: 24 and 25. In the Examiner’s opinion, it would have been obvious to use the probe and primers of the PCT to make a DNA chip-containing kit for HPV diagnosis, as allegedly taught by Gravitt and Stratagene.

As discussed above, absent a teaching of a solid-surface DNA chip, or a suggestion to substitute the nitrocellulose/nylon filters of Gravitt with a glass chip as components of a diagnostic kit, the HPV probe/primers of the PCT do not overcome the deficiency in the Examiner’s obviousness argument.

Claim 27 was rejected as obvious over Gravitt in view of Stratagene, further in view of **Bevan** et al., Biochem. J. 1990; 267: 119-23 (“Bevan”). The sole contribution of Bevan is the disclosure of biotin-16-UTP probes for HPV 16 for use in a slot blot or Southern blot (which both employ nitrocellulose filters), or in *in situ* hybridization techniques. Again, absent teachings of a DNA chip, Bevan does not supply the requisite suggestion or motivation to modify the teachings of Gravitt or combine the teachings of Gravitt or Stratagene.

Claim 31 stands rejected as obvious over Gravitt in view of Stratagene, further in view of U.S. patent **5,273,881** to Sena (“Sena”). Sena teaches the use of the fluorochrome streptavidin-R-phycoerythrin as a biotin-binding secondary detection label. Specifically, Sena teaches that the streptavidin-fluorochrome conjugate is attached to a “solid support”, *e.g.*, a *nitrocellulose* filter (col. 8, l. 16), used to capture biotin-labeled material. Sena also does not disclose use of this label on a DNA chip, nor does Sena provide the motivation to combine the references.

Claims 32-35 stand rejected as obvious over Gravitt in view of Stratagene, further in view of published U.S. patent application **2003/001295** to Shalon (“Shalon”). Shalon teaches a method of

forming DNA chips by affixing amine-linked DNA probes to aldehyde-derivatized glass surfaces, and hybridization of fluorescently labeled DNA to the probes.

According to our analysis, Shalon does not teach or suggest use of the chips for diagnosing **HPV**, nor does Shalon teach the necessity for double-labeling as taught by Gravitt and the instant invention. According to Shalon, the sensitivity of the disclosed assay is sufficient for detecting up- or downregulation of up to 10^6 genes on a single chip, and is useful to diagnose disease states based on differentially expressed gene profiles. There is no disclosure of a chip as taught by the presently claimed purpose, which purpose is not to achieve gene expression profiling, but rather, to detect the presence of HPV strains (of which there are significantly fewer than 10^6 since the claim requires about 20).

Again, there is no suggestion or motivation in Gravitt to use DNA chips *in lieu* of nitrocellulose or nylon to practice the disclosed hybridization method. As stated above, Gravitt asserts that the filter-based dot and line blotting are efficient and accurate and provide an advantage over current techniques. Since chip-based microarrays were well known in the art in 1998 when Gravitt was published, Gravitt would likely have disclosed such a modification if it was contemplated for use in conjunction with his disclosed method. Absent such a disclosure, or a disclosure in Shalon to use the chips to diagnose HPV strains in a kit and not for expression profiling (these are to very distinct goals), there can be **no motivation** to combine the references and arrive at the claimed invention.

Finally, claims 32-33, and 35 are rejected as obvious over Gravitt in view of Stratagene, further in view of **Zammatteo** et al., Anal. Biochem. 2000; 280: 143-50 ("Zammatteo"). Zammatteo discloses a method of forming microarrays using 5'amine-linked DNA probes covalently linked to an aldehyde-derivatized glass surface, and hybridization of biotinylated DNA to the array (page 148). There is no teaching in Zammatteo of arrays comprising HPV DNA probes or use for the diagnosis of HPV.

As discussed above for Shalon, there is no hint of Gravitt using aldehyde-derivatized chips *in lieu* of nitrocellulose or nylon filters, much less to modify the probes as taught in Zammateo for covalent attachment to the filters of Gravitt. Similarly, there is no teaching in Zammateo to use HPV specific probes, or any specific DNA, on the disclosed microarrays. Accordingly, the Examiner has not met her burden of establishing obviousness because there is no suggestion in either reference to modify the teachings to arrive at the presently claimed invention.

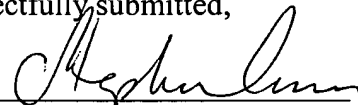
It is further asserted that it was well-known in 1998 to use labels for detecting DNA. However, while the present invention employs this tool of labeling, the present claims **are not** directed to a method of detecting DNA using double-labeling. The claims are specifically directed to a method for detecting HPV strains for diagnostic purposes, using an array and labeled **components**, which provides an improvement over the art since the diagnosis can be achieved using a low amount of one clinical sample. This improves the speed of the diagnosis, the accuracy of the diagnosis, and is less of a burden on the patient who must provide the sample.

In view of the above amendment, applicant believes the pending application is in condition for allowance. Accordingly allowance of all presently pending claims is respectfully requested.

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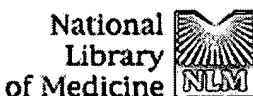
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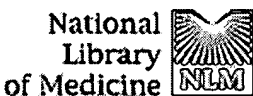


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An improved protocol to increase sensitivity of Southern blot us dig-labelled DNA probes.

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The use of methods for nonradioactive labelling of nucleic acids has increase recent years because they avoid disadvantages associated with radioisotopes. most frequently used label is digoxigenin (DIG). The greatest problem of nonradioactive methods is their high nonspecific background mainly caused multistep detection. A diffuse background can mask the specific signal; furthermore nonspecific signals can make it difficult to interpret the result. In study we have attempted to identify elements which could generate backgrou We have also determined the probe and antibody concentrations by which the higher sensitivity is obtained.

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High-density linkage map of rice with expressed sequence tags

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We have constructed a high-density linkage map of rice using an F_2 population derived from the cross between a japonica variety, Nipponbare, and an indica variety, Kasalath. A total of 1,383 markers, which consist of cDNA clones from callus and root, genomic clones as well as RAPD markers, have been mapped covering a distance of 1,575 cM. All cDNA clones have been sequenced and searched for similarities with known proteins and can be referred to as expressed sequence tags on the map. A majority of the genomic clones and RAPD markers was also sequenced to generate sequence-tagged sites. These extensive linkage analyses gave evidence on duplication of chromosomal segments, particularly in the distal region of chromosomes 11 and 12. Additional markers are being mapped using cDNA clones derived from other cDNA libraries such as green shoot, etiolated shoot, and developing seed. Ultimately, we would like to develop a saturated linkage map that will facilitate a more efficient utilization of molecular markers for rice improvement.

One of the most important advances in the field of biotechnology, which promises to revolutionize several areas of plant genetics and breeding, is the wide utilization of molecular markers. In conjunction with phenotypic and biochemical markers, these markers will have great impact in identifying and ultimately isolating genes for various agronomically important traits. In recent years, construction of RFLP linkage maps has been reported in a number of plants (Bernatzky and Tanksley 1986, Chang et al 1988, Rognli et al 1992, Da Silva et al 1993, Kleinhofs et al 1993). In rice, a molecular linkage map covering the entire genome was developed independently by McCouch et al (1988) and Saito et al (1991) with 135 and 322 markers, respectively. Such molecular maps may provide new opportunities for application in plant genetic manipulation, particularly in tagging genes for agronomically important traits with DNA markers. In addition, these maps could also serve as important tools in understanding the evolutionary relationships among different species as shown by the

synteny studies between such crops as wheat and rye (Rognli et al 1992), potato and tomato (Tanksley et al 1992), rice and maize (Ahn and Tanksley 1993), rice and wheat (Kurata et al 1994a), etc.

In the Rice Genome Research Program (RGP), we are constructing a high-density linkage map of rice with markers spaced at very close intervals throughout the genome. Most markers in this map have been sequenced to generate expressed sequence tags and sequence-tagged sites (STSs), and as such will be a model system for overall analysis of genome structure and function in plants. So far, a map with 1,383 DNA markers at an average interval of 300 kb and distributed along 1,575 cM on the 12 linkage groups has been reported by Kurata et al (1994b). Mapping of more DNA markers is currently in progress to generate a saturated map. This paper summarizes such results as well as some of the most recent findings in restriction fragment length polymorphism (RFLP) mapping at RGP.

Materials and methods

Plant materials

The parent strains consisted of a japonica variety, Nipponbare, and an indica variety, Kasalath. A single cross was made to obtain an F₂ population and 186 individuals were used for analysis of segregation of DNA polymorphism.

DNA manipulation

Total DNA was extracted from the green leaves of parental lines as well as the F₂ progenies by the CTAB method (Murray and Thompson 1980). Then 2 µg total DNAs were each digested with one of eight restriction enzymes, *Bam*HI, *Bgl*II, *Eco*RV, *Hind*III, *Apa*I, *Dra*I, *Eco*RI, and *Kpn*I, overnight at 37 °C. The digested samples were applied in 0.6% agarose gel, electrophoresed for 12 h and transferred in a positively charged nylon membrane by capillary blotting. These were used for hybridization with probes labeled with horseradish peroxidase according to the protocol of ECL direct nucleic acid labeling and detection system (Amersham).

DNA probes

The probes used for hybridization consisted mainly of cDNA clones, genomic clones, and RAPD markers all derived from japonica cultivar, Nipponbare. The cDNA clones consisted of randomly selected clones from callus and root cDNA libraries. The nucleotide sequence from the 5' end for 300-400 bp was determined and translated into an amino acid sequence. Then a similarity search at the protein level was performed in the NBRF-PIR data base using the FASTA algorithm. Clones showing an optimized matching score of more than 150 with amino acid sequences in other organisms were considered as functionally identical clones. All sequenced clones are registered and deposited at the DNA Data Bank of Japan (DDBJ).

The genomic clones used for mapping consisted of random genomic clones, YAC-end clones, *Not*I linking clones, and telomere-associated sequences (TELs). The random genomic clones were prepared by ligating *Hind*III or *Pst*I DNA fragments in

pBluescriptII SK+ or pUC vector. The YAC-end clones were derived from both ends of a large size DNA fragment cloned in YAC, amplified by PCR as 200-1000 bp long DNA, and ligated into TA cloning vector PCRTM1000. The *NotI* linking clones consisted of *Sau3AI* partially digested 500-4000 bp fragments with *NotI* sites and cloned in pT7T318U vector at the *Bam*HI site. The TELs were obtained using cassette ligation-mediated PCR of *Sau3AI* DNA digests and cloned in pCRII vector (Ashikawa et al 1994). For mapping of RAPD markers, 60 arbitrarily designed 10-nucleotide primers were initially subjected to RAPD analysis. Then, these primers were paired randomly and were used for detection of RAPD markers. Detection and mapping of RAPD markers and conversion of RAPD to STS markers were described by Monna et al (1994).

Linkage analysis

The segregation patterns and linkage relationships of RFLP in the F₂ population were analyzed using the MAPMAKER/EXP 3.0 software (Lander et al 1987). Multipoint analysis was performed to calculate the linkage of a large number of markers and produce a map of their order along the chromosomes. Recombination values between the markers were transformed into centimorgan (cM) distance by the Kosambi function (Kosambi 1944).

Results and discussion

RFLP map with 883 expressed sequences

To construct an RFLP linkage map of rice, we analyzed 2,950 cDNA clones from callus and root cDNA library. These clones showed various banding patterns such as single bands, double bands, as well as multiple bands with a smeared background in some cases, suggesting either single-copy sequences or repeated sequences in the genome. A total of 883 cDNA clones, which consisted of 465 clones from callus cDNA and 418 clones from root cDNA, showed distinct RFLP and were used for segregation analyses of the F₂ population derived from the cross Nipponbare/Kasalath. The positions of these clones represented by C-number and R-number for callus and root cDNA clones, respectively, are shown in Figure 1. A more detailed version of this map appeared in Kurata et al (1994b) and included such information as the accession number of the sequence data deposited in the DDBJ. In addition to cDNA clones, 265 genomic DNAs, 147 RAPD markers, and 88 other DNAs were also mapped for a total of 1,383 markers distributed along 1,575 cM on 12 linkage groups at an average interval of 1.14 cM.

A similarity search for proteins of other organisms showed that the cDNA clones have a high similarity to genes of a wide range of organisms including dicots, monocots, mammals, and yeast (Table 1). Most of these genes code for isozymes such as alcohol dehydrogenase (*adh*), aspartate aminotransferase (*got*), fructose biphosphate aldolase (*ald*), glucose-6-phosphate isomerase (*pgi*), peroxidase (*pox*), etc. In the conventional linkage map, several isozymes have been mapped and assigned to specific chromosomes (Wu et al 1988). In our RFLP linkage map, we determined the loci of

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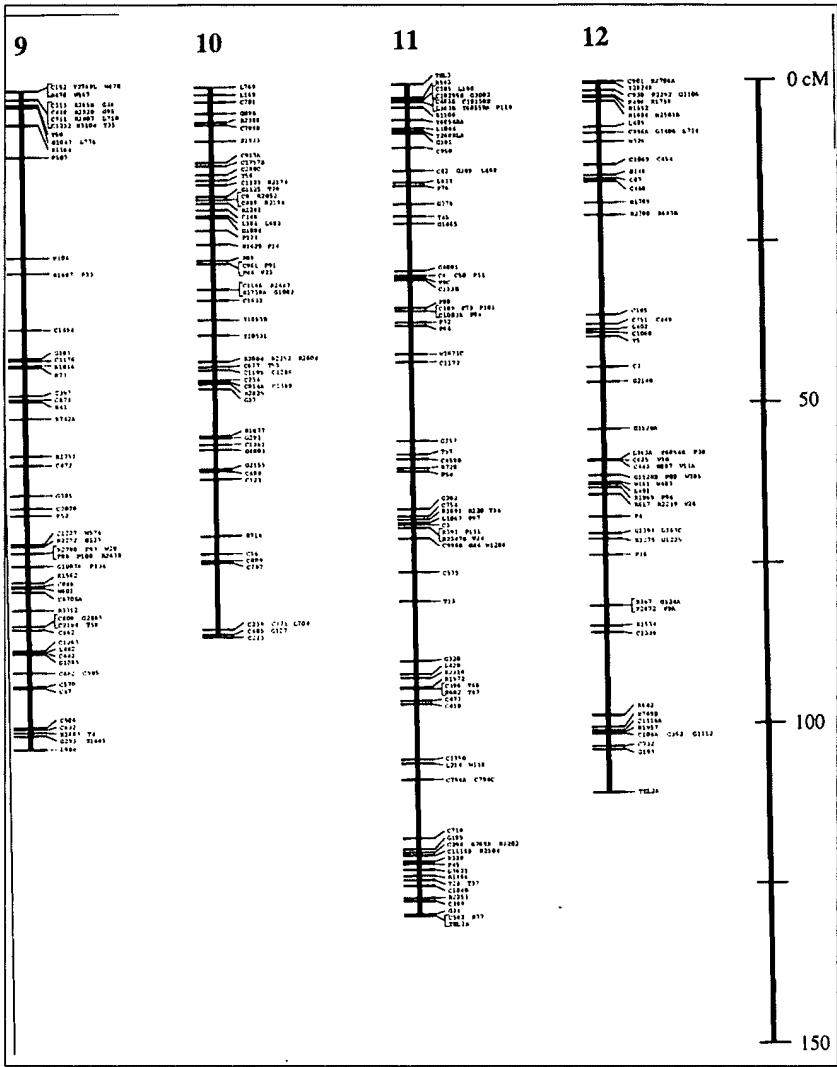


Table 1. Callus and root cDNA clones mapped in rice with similarity to known proteins.

| Chr. | Position | Marker | Gene | Protein name | Organism | DDBJ ID No. |
|------|----------|--------|-------------|---|----------------------------------|-------------|
| 1 | 30.4 | R2657A | <i>ald2</i> | Fructose bisphosphate aldolase | Rice | D28322 |
| 1 | 41.8 | R1764 | <i>got2</i> | Aspartate aminotransferase | <i>Bacillus sp.</i> | D24345 |
| 1 | 42.9 | C727A | <i>gco1</i> | Glucan endo-1,3-beta-glucosidase | Common tobacco | D15500 |
| 1 | 44.5 | C256 | <i>rce</i> | Reductase | Soybean | D15203 |
| 1 | 44.5 | R578 | <i>hbo</i> | (S)-tetrahydroberberine oxidase | <i>Coptis japonica</i> | D23922 |
| 1 | 49.3 | R494 | <i>nia</i> | Nitrate reductase (NADH) | Tomato | D23879 |
| 1 | 53.1 | R1623S | <i>tub3</i> | Tubulin beta-2 chain | <i>Arabidopsis thaliana</i> | D24277 |
| 1 | 58.9 | C250 | <i>got1</i> | Aspartate aminotransferase | Proso millet | D23735 |
| 1 | 58.9 | R37 | <i>glt1</i> | Glutathione transferase 1 | Maize | D23736 |
| 1 | 63.6 | C9A | <i>elf3</i> | Elongation factor 2 | <i>Caenorhabditis elegans</i> | D15078 |
| 1 | 64.5 | C911 | <i>gtl</i> | Glutamin:tRNA ligase | Human | D15594 |
| 1 | 69.2 | R559 | <i>ppp</i> | Phosphoprotein phosphatase | Human | D23910 |
| 1 | 70.3 | C922A | <i>gbp</i> | GTP-binding regulatory protein beta chain | <i>Chlamydomonas reinhardtii</i> | D22667 |
| 1 | 71.9 | R1012 | <i>lcl</i> | Long-chain-acid:CoA ligase | Human | D24049 |
| 1 | 81 | R886 | <i>mdh</i> | Malate dehydrogenase, mitochondrial | Water melon | D24025 |
| 1 | 84.7 | C808 | <i>elf2</i> | Initiation factor eIF-4A | Curled-leaved tobacco | D22665 |
| 1 | 87.7 | C409 | <i>sip</i> | Stress inducible protein STI1 | Yeast | D15287 |
| 1 | 90.4 | R2635 | <i>soi</i> | Spil hypothetical protein | Yeast | D24836 |
| 1 | 99.9 | R1928 | <i>vcp</i> | Vaseline-containing protein | Pig | D28306 |
| 1 | 119.1 | C585 | <i>secl</i> | SEC 7 protein | Yeast | D15403 |
| 1 | 119.4 | R2630 | <i>hud</i> | Elav/Sex-lethal related protein | Human | D24832 |
| 1 | 119.4 | R596 | <i>glt2</i> | Glutathione transferase 1 | Maize | D28287 |
| 1 | 119.4 | R2880 | <i>osb</i> | Oxysterol-binding protein | Rabbit | D24980 |
| 1 | 119.5 | C369 | <i>gdh</i> | Glutamate dehydrogenase (NAD(P)+) | <i>Halobacterium salinarum</i> | D15259 |
| 1 | 121.3 | C904 | <i>sall</i> | SalT protein precursor | Rice | D28208 |
| 1 | 126.4 | R476 | <i>ams1</i> | S-adenosylmethionine synthetase 2 | <i>Arabidopsis thaliana</i> | D28266 |
| 1 | 126.9 | R2280 | <i>ams4</i> | S-adenosylmethionine synthetase 2 | <i>Arabidopsis thaliana</i> | D24629 |
| 1 | 133.7 | R2167 | <i>ams3</i> | S-adenosylmethionine synthetase 2 | <i>Arabidopsis thaliana</i> | D28314 |
| 1 | 137 | R210 | <i>cad1</i> | Cathepsin D | Human | D23806 |
| 1 | 142.1 | C1338 | <i>ang</i> | 58K antigen | <i>Rickettsia tsutsugamushi</i> | D22792 |
| 1 | 149.6 | C399 | <i>idh</i> | Isocitrate dehydrogenase (NADP+) | Alfalfa | D15280 |
| 1 | 155.3 | R665 | <i>rac1</i> | Rac1 protein | Human | D23963 |
| 1 | 165.7 | R3192 | <i>spk</i> | Serine/threonine-specific protein kinase | <i>Arabidopsis thaliana</i> | D25110 |
| 1 | 172.4 | R480B | <i>ypt</i> | Transforming protein, ypt 1, homolog | Maize | D23874 |
| 1 | 180.3 | C936 | <i>mtn</i> | Metallothionein-like protein | <i>Arabidopsis thaliana</i> | D15602 |
| 1 | 180.3 | C30 | <i>tpi</i> | Triose phosphate isomerase | Maize | D15092 |
| 1 | 181.6 | R753 | <i>sds</i> | C-5 sterol desaturase | Yeast | D23996 |
| 1 | 184.1 | R87 | <i>tin</i> | Trypsin inhibitor | Rice | D23762 |

Table 1 continued.

| Chr. | Position | Marker | Gene | Protein name | Organism | DDBJ ID No. |
|------|----------|--------|-------------|---|-----------------------------|-------------|
| 2 | 1.6 | R2702B | <i>hsp5</i> | Heat shock protein 70 | Common tobacco | D23418 |
| 2 | 4.4 | C1445 | <i>aux</i> | Auxin-induced protein | <i>Arabidopsis thaliana</i> | D15870 |
| 2 | 6.3 | C440 | <i>dfr1</i> | Dihydrofolate-4-reductase | Garden petunia | D15312 |
| 2 | 6.6 | C1137B | <i>dfr2</i> | Dihydrofolate-4-reductase | Garden snapdragon | D15715 |
| 2 | 7.4 | C1137A | <i>dfr2</i> | Dihydrofolate-4-reductase | Garden snapdragon | D15715 |
| 2 | 32.3 | C92 | <i>ant</i> | Adenine nucleotide translocator | Rice | D22519 |
| 2 | 33.1 | C1419 | <i>thr</i> | Thioredoxin reductase (NADPH) | <i>Escherichia coli</i> | D13855 |
| 2 | 34.6 | R3128 | <i>eno2</i> | Enolase | Tomato | D25085 |
| 2 | 40.5 | R3393 | <i>clc</i> | Clathrincoat assembly protein | Rat | D24586 |
| 2 | 51.2 | R480A | <i>ypt</i> | Transforming protein, ypt1, homolog | Maize | D23874 |
| 2 | 55.3 | R1737 | <i>prs</i> | Proteasome XC3 chain | African clawed frog | D24326 |
| 2 | 55.8 | R2284 | <i>ams5</i> | S-adenosylmethionine synthetase 2 | <i>Arabidopsis thaliana</i> | D24632 |
| 2 | 63.3 | R1826 | <i>nab</i> | X16 protein | Mouse | D24389 |
| 2 | 65 | C37 | <i>gpd</i> | Glyceraldehyde-3-phosphate dehydrogenase | White mustard | D15096 |
| 2 | 67 | R1424 | <i>ste1</i> | Regulatory protein STE7 | Yeast | D24144 |
| 2 | 70.3 | C621 | <i>reg1</i> | 14-3-3 protein | Barley | D15430 |
| 2 | 75.9 | R447 | <i>sac</i> | SAC1 protein | Yeast | D23860 |
| 2 | 103.4 | C1000 | <i>hsp3</i> | Heat shock protein 70 | Maize | D15636 |
| 2 | 107.2 | C626 | <i>cyc</i> | cycO7 protein, S-phase specific periwinkle | Madagascar | D15433 |
| 2 | 120.6 | C2168 | <i>got3</i> | Aspartate aminotransferase | Proso millet | D16037 |
| 2 | 138.2 | C915 | <i>stk</i> | Kinase-related transforming protein | Mouse | D15597 |
| 2 | 139.3 | R459 | <i>gdc2</i> | Glycine-cleavage system protein H | Garden pea | D23865 |
| 2 | 139.8 | R2242S | <i>tub4</i> | Tubulin beta-2 chain | Garden pea | D24606 |
| 2 | 142 | R810 | <i>ubq4</i> | Ubiquitin | Garden snapdragon | D25349 |
| 2 | 151.4 | R2710 | <i>urt2</i> | UTP:glucose-1-phosphate uridylyltransferase | Potato | D24887 |
| 3 | 14.7 | R707 | <i>qpc</i> | Ubiquinone binding protein QP-C | Bovine | D23977 |
| 3 | 18.5 | C831 | <i>rad6</i> | RAD6 DNA-repair homolog <i>Dhr6</i> | Fruit fly | D22670 |
| 3 | 20.1 | R3226 | <i>cof</i> | Cofilin | Yeast | D25113 |
| 3 | 21.7 | R2443 | <i>myb</i> | Transforming protein, myb, homolog | Maize | D24724 |
| 3 | 21.7 | C1329 | <i>pgi</i> | Glucose-6-phosphate isomerase | <i>Clarkia lewesii</i> | D15815 |
| 3 | 26.1 | R2856 | <i>cak</i> | Casein kinase II alpha chain | Maize | D24965 |
| 3 | 26.1 | R2404 | <i>eif4</i> | Initiation factor eIF-5A | Common tobacco | D24702 |
| 3 | 26.3 | R2628 | <i>tpa</i> | Transplantation antigen P198 | Mouse | D24830 |
| 3 | 35.4 | C1468 | <i>tub2</i> | Tubulin alpha-2 chain | Maize | D15886 |
| 3 | 37.9 | R2690 | <i>act</i> | Actin 1 | Rice | D24576 |
| 3 | 39.2 | R1538 | <i>reg4</i> | 14-3-3 protein | Barley | D24218 |
| 3 | 43.2 | R2847 | <i>gco2</i> | Beta-glucosidase | White clover | D24959 |
| 3 | 45.9 | C746 | <i>gri</i> | Glycine rich protein 2 | <i>Arabidopsis thaliana</i> | D15512 |
| 3 | 79.7 | C549 | <i>hsp1</i> | Heat shock protein 70 | Spinach | D22613 |

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|------|----------|--------|--------------|---|-------------------------------|-------------|
| 3 | 81.2 | R1908 | <i>acb</i> | Endozepine | Yeast | D28303 |
| 3 | 103.7 | R2170 | <i>uqn</i> | NADH dehydrogenase (ubiquinone) chain 2 | <i>Paramecium tetraurelia</i> | D28315 |
| 3 | 107.2 | C1452 | <i>sod</i> | Superoxide dismutase | Rice | D15675 |
| 3 | 119.6 | R1862 | <i>prp</i> | Prp 16-1 protein | Yeast | D24417 |
| 3 | 121.2 | R1158 | <i>snr</i> | Small nuclear RNA-associated protein | Human | D24080 |
| 3 | 122 | R1690 | <i>eif3</i> | Initiation factor 2 alpha chain | Yeast | D24301 |
| 3 | 128.5 | C63 | <i>ubq1</i> | Ubiquitin fusion protein | Fruit fly | D15108 |
| 3 | 134.2 | R2584 | <i>cdh</i> | Cinnamyl-alcohol dehydrogenase | Kidney bean | D14802 |
| 3 | 150.7 | R518 | <i>elf1</i> | Elongation factor 1 alpha | Tomato | |
| 3 | 160 | R1713 | <i>glt3</i> | Glutathione transferase III | Maize | D24311 |
| 3 | 166.5 | R1468A | <i>cdc</i> | CDC2a protein | Rice | D24174 |
| 4 | 4.7 | R416 | <i>aox</i> | Amine oxidase | Rat | D23854 |
| 4 | 15.5 | R634 | <i>ocp</i> | Oryzain alpha chain | Rice | D23944 |
| 4 | 16 | R740 | <i>gyk</i> | Glycerol kinase | <i>Bacillus subtilis</i> | D23993 |
| 4 | 19.3 | R78 | <i>kin</i> | ncdD protein | Fruitfly | D23757 |
| 4 | 53.3 | R1849 | <i>art</i> | Arabinose transport protein | <i>Escherichia coli</i> | D24407 |
| 4 | 54.6 | R896 | <i>gpd2</i> | Glyceraldehyde-3-phosphate dehydrogenase | Maize | D28294 |
| 4 | 57.4 | C559 | <i>ppa</i> | Inorganic pyrophosphatase | Yeast | D15382 |
| 4 | 59 | C1047 | <i>reg3</i> | 14-3-3 protein | Barley | D15663 |
| 4 | 109.2 | R288 | <i>ccp</i> | Cytochrome C peroxidase | Yeast | D23832 |
| 4 | 109.2 | C954 | <i>dds</i> | Dihydrodipicolinatesynthase | Wheat | D15614 |
| 4 | 109.2 | C1794 | <i>his1</i> | Histone H1 | Wheat | D22924 |
| 4 | 121.3 | C9B | <i>elf3</i> | Elongation factor 2 | <i>Caenorhabditis elegans</i> | D15078 |
| 5 | 27.9 | R1838 | <i>dnj</i> | dnaJ protein homolog | Human | D24399 |
| 5 | 30.9 | C259B | <i>ubq2</i> | Ubiquitin | Tomato, potato, oat | D22550 |
| 5 | 45 | R569 | <i>omc</i> | 2-oxoglutarate/malate carrier protein | Bovine | D23915 |
| 5 | 55.5 | R2059 | <i>rbp</i> | Ribophorin | Human | D24495 |
| 5 | 55.5 | C1388 | <i>rab11</i> | GTP-binding protein rab11 | Dog | D15842 |
| 5 | 55.5 | R2558 | <i>acc</i> | Acetyl-CoA carboxylase | Yeast | D24786 |
| 5 | 95.2 | R3182 | <i>hsp6</i> | Heat shock protein cognate 70 | Tomato | D25105 |
| 5 | 95.2 | C128 | <i>ubc</i> | Ubiquitin conjugating protein | Wheat | D15130 |
| 5 | 96.8 | C536 | <i>pdc</i> | Pyruvate decarboxylase | Maize | D15369 |
| 5 | 102.2 | C67B | <i>rif</i> | ADP-ribosylation factor 4 | Human | D22513 |
| 5 | 102.2 | C419 | <i>cam</i> | Calmodulin | Wheat | D15295 |
| 5 | 109 | C466 | <i>mpp</i> | Processing peptidase catalytic chain, mitochondrial | Yeast | D15329 |
| 5 | 113.4 | C686 | <i>atp1</i> | H+-transporting ATP synthase beta chain | Rice | D15470 |
| 5 | 113.7 | R2953 | <i>dyl</i> | Dynamin-like protein | Fruit fly | D25026 |
| 5 | 118 | R2754 | <i>cad2</i> | Cathepsin D | Human | D24912 |
| 5 | 119.6 | C1264 | <i>kri</i> | Ketol-acid reductoisomerase chloroplast | Spinach | D27768 |
| 6 | 2.2 | R2869 | <i>pgd</i> | Phosphogluconate dehydrogenase | <i>Synechococcus</i> sp. | D24970 |
| 6 | 9.2 | C688 | <i>prt</i> | Transcription factor for E3 | Human | D15472 |
| 6 | 9.8 | R2291 | <i>ste2</i> | Regulatory protein STE7 | Yeast | D24636 |
| 6 | 10.1 | R2749 | <i>cys</i> | Cysteine synthase B | Pepper | D24907 |

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|------|----------|--------|-------------|---|--------------------------------|-------------|
| 6 | 11.2 | C764 | <i>hca</i> | ClassII histocompatibility antigen | Human | D15525 |
| 6 | 12.6 | C1032 | <i>ag12</i> | Floral homeotic protein AGL2 | <i>Arabidopsis thaliana</i> | D15657 |
| 6 | 13.1 | R845 | <i>ctl</i> | Cystathionine gamma-lyase | Yeast | D28293 |
| 6 | 17.9 | R1966 | <i>sus</i> | Sucrose synthase | Barley | D24462 |
| 6 | 34.8 | R2147 | <i>sal2</i> | SalT protein | Rice | D24547 |
| 6 | 57 | C235 | <i>hmg2</i> | High mobility group-like protein NHP2 | Yeast | D15191 |
| 6 | 69.8 | R111 | <i>fdh</i> | Formate dehydrogenase | <i>Pseudomonas</i> sp. | D23770 |
| 6 | 69.8 | C58 | <i>srp</i> | Signal recognition particle 19K | Human | D15105 |
| 6 | 112 | C556 | <i>gdc1</i> | Glycine-cleavage system protein H | Garden pea | D15379 |
| 6 | 112.1 | R2403 | <i>pgk</i> | Phosphoglycerate kinase, cytosolic | Wheat | D26320 |
| 6 | 115.2 | C259C | <i>ubq2</i> | Ubiquitin | Tomato, potato, oat | D22550 |
| 6 | 121.5 | C69 | <i>eifl</i> | Initiation factor eIF-4A | Curled-leaved tobacco | D15109 |
| 6 | 126.2 | R1888 | <i>ams2</i> | S-adenosylmethionine synthetase 2 | <i>Arabidopsis thaliana</i> | D24436 |
| 6 | 127.3 | R1394B | <i>nod</i> | Nodulation protein | <i>Rhizobium leguminosarum</i> | D24124 |
| 6 | 128.9 | R1167 | <i>cat</i> | Catalase chain I | Maize | D24082 |
| 6 | 128.9 | C607 | <i>hmg1</i> | High mobility group protein | Wheat | D28196 |
| 7 | 40.3 | R2401 | <i>thx</i> | Thioredoxin | <i>Arabidopsis thaliana</i> | D24700 |
| 7 | 46.5 | R1488 | <i>hxx</i> | Hexokinase P1 | Yeast | D24182 |
| 7 | 49.2 | C67A | <i>rif</i> | ADP-ribosylation factor 4 | Human | D28199 |
| 7 | 54.2 | R610 | <i>mak</i> | MAK16 protein | Yeast | D23935 |
| 7 | 54.2 | C479 | <i>sps</i> | Spermidine synthetase | Human | D22594 |
| 7 | 55.4 | C492 | <i>gcw3</i> | Glycine-rich cell wall structural protein | Garden petunia | D22596 |
| 7 | 88 | R2394 | <i>cpk</i> | Protein kinase, calcium dependent | Soybean | D24697 |
| 7 | 98.5 | C1412 | <i>elf2</i> | Elongation factor1 beta chain | Rice | D15852 |
| 7 | 101.9 | R3349 | <i>cyt</i> | Cystathionine gamma-lyase | Potato | D25146 |
| 7 | 105.3 | C507 | <i>cpn</i> | Probable chaperonin | <i>Synechococcus</i> sp. | D26192 |
| 7 | 108.4 | C1340 | <i>par</i> | Par gene protein | Common tobacco | D22794 |
| 7 | 124.1 | C213 | <i>odh</i> | Oxoglutarate dehydrogenase | <i>Escherichia coli</i> | D15178 |
| 7 | 124.6 | R411 | <i>tab</i> | Tat-binding protein | Human | D23852 |
| 7 | 125.4 | C586 | <i>gcw1</i> | Glycine-rich cell wall structural protein | Garden petunia | D22623 |
| 8 | 1.1 | R1963 | <i>map</i> | Membrane alanyl aminopeptidase | <i>Escherichia coli</i> | D28310 |
| 8 | 1.8 | R662 | <i>hyp2</i> | Hypothetical protein 1 (sul 3' region) | <i>Bacillus subtilis</i> | D23961 |
| 8 | 2.6 | R1880 | <i>acl</i> | Acyl carrier protein 3 | Barley | |
| 8 | 23.5 | R1985 | <i>pkc2</i> | Protein kinase C homolog | Rice | D24464 |
| 8 | 27.9 | R2382 | <i>pat</i> | Patatin T5 | Potato | D24690 |
| 8 | 42.5 | C929 | <i>reg2</i> | 14-3-3 protein | Barley | D22692 |
| 8 | 53.9 | R1394A | <i>nod</i> | Nodulation protein | <i>Rhizobium leguminosarum</i> | D24124 |

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| Chr.Position | Marker | Gene | Protein name | Organism | DDBJ ID No. |
|--------------|-----------|--------------|--|------------------------------------|-------------|
| 8 100.5 | R2285 | <i>gdh</i> | Glucose dehydrogenase (pyrroloquinoline-quinone) | <i>Acinetobacter calcoaceticus</i> | D24633 |
| 8 109.1 | C922B | <i>gbp</i> | GTP-binding regulatory protein beta chain | <i>Chlamydomonas reinhardtii</i> | D22667 |
| 8 111.7 | C277 | <i>rpa</i> | Acidic ribosomal protein 4 | Fruit fly | D15212 |
| 9 0.8 | C711 | <i>pab</i> | Polyadenylate-binding protein | Human | D15488 |
| 9 46.7 | C397 | <i>sco1</i> | SCO1 protein | Yeast | D22575 |
| 9 74.6 | R1562 | <i>hsp4</i> | Heat shock protein 82 | Rice | D24234 |
| 9 75.1 | C846 | <i>pkc1</i> | Protein kinase C homolog | Rice | D15569 |
| 9 78.7 | R3312 | <i>gco3</i> | Beta-glucosidase B | <i>Bacillus polymyxa</i> | D28326 |
| 9 88.4 | C985 | <i>hsp2</i> | Heat shock protein 82 | Rice | D22707 |
| 9 97 | C506 | <i>hmg3</i> | High mobility group protein | Maize | D22603 |
| 9 97.3 | C632 | <i>urt1</i> | UTP:glucose-1-phosphate uridylyltransferase | Potato | D15437 |
| 10 2.3 | C701 | <i>adh2</i> | Alcohol dehydrogenase | Human | D15481 |
| 10 11.7 | C913A | <i>eno1</i> | Enolase | Tomato | D28210 |
| 10 17.6 | C489 | <i>atp2</i> | H+-transporting ATP synthase gamma chain | <i>Rhodospirillum rubrum</i> | D15343 |
| 10 42.7 | R2604 | <i>gcw4</i> | Glycine-rich cell wall structural protein | Rice | D24186 |
| 10 42.7 | R2252 | <i>hyp4</i> | Hypothetical protein YCL59C | Yeast | D24612 |
| 10 43.5 | C677 | <i>gcw2</i> | Glycine-rich cell wall structural protein | Rice | D13464 |
| 11 9.2 | C950 | <i>tum</i> | Tumor protein | <i>Arabidopsis thaliana</i> | D22697 |
| 11 65 | R120 | <i>ahc</i> | Adenosyl homocysteinease | Rat | D23773 |
| 11 65.8 | C3 | <i>sec2</i> | Sec23 protein | Yeast | D22492 |
| 11 91 | R1572 | <i>adh2</i> | Alcohol dehydrogenase | Rice | D24243 |
| 11 91.3 | C496 | <i>adh1</i> | Alcohol dehydrogenase | Maize | D15347 |
| 11 91.3 | R682 | <i>adh2</i> | Alcohol dehydrogenase | Maize | D23967 |
| 11 114 | R3202 | <i>cbp</i> | Calcium binding protein | Mouse | D25111 |
| 12 1.4 | R2292 | <i>rab5</i> | GTP-binding protein rab5 | Dog | D28317 |
| 12 14.5 | C1069 | <i>hyp1</i> | Hypothetical protein | Maize | D15675 |
| 12 72.6 | R3375 | <i>cla</i> | Clathrin-associated protein 17 | Rat | D25151 |
| 12 83 | R2672 | <i>elf4</i> | Elongation factor selB | <i>Escherichia coli</i> | D24864 |
| 12 87.1 | C1336 | <i>ald1</i> | Fructose-biphosphate aldolase | Rice | D28223 |
| | 15 mapped | <i>pox</i> | Peroxidase | Horseradish and turnip | |
| | 3 mapped | <i>his2a</i> | Histone H2A | Mainly wheat and maize | |
| | 4 mapped | <i>his2b</i> | Histone H2B | Mainly wheat and maize | |
| | 4 mapped | <i>his3</i> | Histone H3 | Mainly wheat and maize | |
| | 5 mapped | <i>his4</i> | Histone H4 | Mainly wheat and maize | |
| | 24 mapped | <i>rpl</i> | Ribosomal protein large subunit | Mainly rat | |
| | 15 mapped | <i>rps</i> | Ribosomal protein small subunit | Mainly rat | |

these isozymes by mapping cDNA clones derived from callus and root cDNA libraries. Thus, such genes as *got*, *adh*, and *pox*, which have been assigned in the conventional linkage map by segregation analysis of gene products, could be accurately mapped with their exact locations in the chromosome. In addition, a number of genes, which code for structural proteins such as actin, tubulin and ubiquitin, genes associated with the glycolytic pathway, genes related to the cell cycle, as well as heat shock proteins,

were also mapped. Some of these genes, however, did not necessarily correspond to a specific gene sequence but rather to one of the highly conserved multiple copies in the genome and were mapped in several loci in one or more chromosomes.

Several multigene families such as ribosomal proteins and histones, which have been identified from the large-scale cDNA analysis, have also been mapped. Twenty-four genes of the large subunit ribosomal protein and 15 genes of the small subunit ribosomal protein were found to be widely distributed in the rice genome. We have also identified and mapped the genes for histone proteins, namely, H1, H2A, H2B, H3, and H4 proteins. In human and other animals, these five types of genes formed clusters or repeated tandem units. In rice, however, they were found to be widely distributed in several chromosomes.

Thus, construction of a detailed genetic map using expressed gene sequences may provide a vast amount of information on the structural and functional organization of the rice genome. This could be very useful in identifying a gene of interest as well as in the subsequent stage of manipulation and isolation.

Genomic DNA markers as sequence-tagged sites

The chromosomal distribution of genomic clones classified as random genomic clones (G-number), *NotI* linking clones (L-number), YAC-end clones (Y-number), and TELs were also determined (Fig. 1). One hundred and thirty-seven randomly selected genomic clones were evenly distributed on the map. Most of these genomic clones have been sequenced and registered at DDBJ. Thus, these clones can be referred to as STSs on the map. The YAC-end clones and *NotI* linking clones were used for mapping to determine the nature of these sequences, which was necessary for physical map construction. However, mapping of 33 YAC-end clones (Y-number) and 90 *NotI* linking clones (L-number) did not show any specific features in terms of distribution and chromosomal localization of these clones. Among the mapped YAC-end clones were those containing both ends of the DNA fragment in YAC. These clones were mapped at close proximity to each other so that the physical distance corresponding to the genetic distance in cM can be calculated.

The map positions of TELs isolated using cassette ligation-mediated PCR were also determined (Ashikawa et al 1994). Two of these clones have been located on opposite ends of chromosome 11 so that this chromosome could be completely saturated with DNA markers. Subtelomeric clones have also been mapped on one end of chromosome 12 as well as chromosome 5.

RAPD markers were used to fill such regions on the map with very few markers. More than 150 RAPD were detected between Nipponbare and Kasalath using 1,400 combinations of arbitrarily designed 10-nucleotide primers (Monna et al 1994). One hundred and forty-seven RAPD markers represented by P-number and T-number on the map were mapped on the 12 chromosomes of rice. The T-number markers correspond to RAPD markers, which were converted to STS. More importantly, regions in some chromosomes that cannot be linked by DNA markers had been successfully connected by RAPD markers. The distal regions of chromosomes 1, 6, and 8 were extended by RAPD markers P61, P73, and P122, respectively. These suggest that

RAPD markers can be very useful to fill gaps or to extend the linkage map of each chromosome.

Syntenry with the wheat genome

To clarify the relationships of the rice genome with other crops, 60 wheat genomic DNA fragments (W-number) have been mapped on our high-density linkage map in collaboration with the Cambridge Laboratory, John Innes Centre, UK. The results showed that most of these markers have the same linkage order in wheat and rice (Kurata et al 1994a). Furthermore, it has been clarified that rice chromosome 1 corresponds to wheat group 3, rice chromosome 2 to wheat 6, rice 3 to wheat 4, rice 4 and 7 to wheat 2, rice 5 to wheat 1, rice 6 to wheat 7, and rice 9 to wheat 5. This suggests conservation of genome structure between rice and wheat, which are from different Gramineae tribes and differ in both chromosome number and genome size. We are also pursuing reciprocal mapping of DNA probes with other crops such as barley and maize. Eventually, we hope to clarify the extent of syntenry and linkage conservation among cereal crops.

Conserved linkage order in chromosomes 11 and 12

Although most of the clones used as probes showed a single-copy band on genomic Southern hybridization, some DNA probes had two or more bands and were located in duplicate or triplicate loci. Seventy-nine probes (6.1% of the total mapped DNA probes) were mapped on more than one locus. Duplicate segments were particularly observed between chromosomes 11 and 12 (Nagamura et al 1995, Fig. 2). Thirteen of the 33 mapped DNA markers at the distal regions of these chromosomes, including a TEL (TEL2), were mapped as duplicate loci. These duplicated segments occupy 10 and 11.8 cM in chromosomes 11 and 12, respectively. The other 20 markers in these regions also showed two or more main bands, but only one band was polymorphic, which was mapped in either chromosome 11 or 12. This suggests that RFLP mapping can also be an effective method to clarify chromosomal rearrangements as well as conservation of gene order accompanied by the evolution of a species.

Toward a saturated linkage map and more

At present, we are mapping additional markers in our RFLP linkage map to create a tighter linkage. In addition to callus and root, we are also using cDNA clones from green shoot, etiolated shoot, and developing seed cDNA libraries. As of Mar 1995, we have mapped an additional 521 DNA markers so that our map now has 1,904 DNA markers and a length of 1,556 cM. The average interval between markers is about 0.8 cM. However, there are still several regions in some chromosomes with very few markers as well as long stretches without any markers. Thus, it is necessary to screen for more markers to fill these gaps or to analyze the exact nature of such regions in the chromosomes.

Ultimately, we would like to establish a map with about 2,000 DNA markers at very close intervals necessary for physical map construction and gene tagging. Selection and ordering of YAC clones covering the entire genome to construct a detailed physical

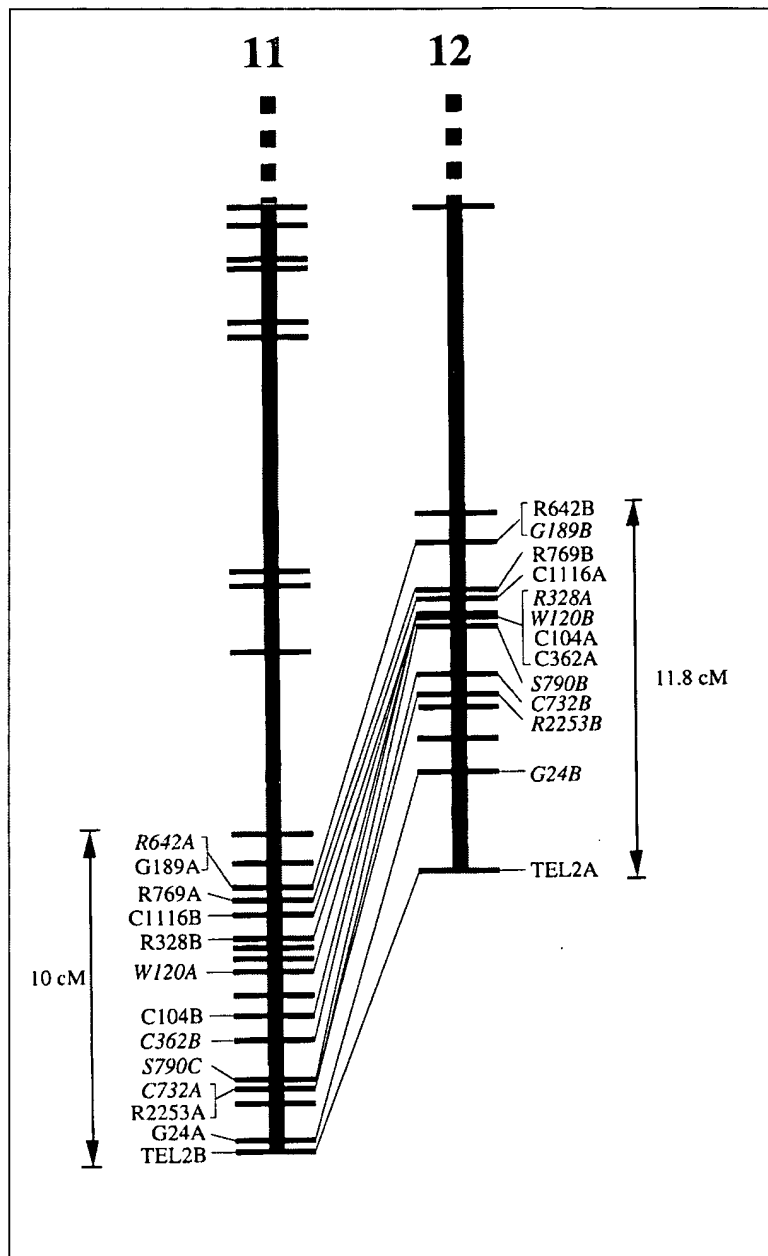


Fig. 2. The distal region of chromosomes 11 and 12 with highly conserved linkage of 13 DNA markers. Marker designations are described in Figure 1. Markers in italics were mapped after the publication of the linkage map in Kurata et al (1994b).

map of rice is in progress. Tagging of genes controlling phenotypical traits, which are important agronomically and for scientific studies, is also under way. We have already identified the chromosomal locations of such genes as *Xa1* (bacterial blight resistance gene) and *Se1* (photoperiod sensitivity gene). Isolation of these genes is expected to progress efficiently through positional map-based cloning with tagged DNA markers by using physically arrayed YAC or cosmid clones.

Thus, a high-density linkage map of rice will have far-reaching applications in understanding genome organization, function, and evolution. More importantly, it is expected to have enormous impact on the more practical aspect of plant genetic manipulation, that is, for marker-aided selection in breeding programs as well as for map-based cloning of agronomically important genes.

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